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2015 CIP Project Updates

Railroad Avenue Bridge Replacement - Project Status

On November 30, 2014 work on the Railroad Avenue Bridge Replacement Project was suspended for the winter. On March 23, 2015 construction resumed. The project consists of the complete removal and replacement of the bridge over Keith Creek between 8th Street and 9th Street. The road will remain closed until completion, scheduled for the end of May. Traffic control and detour signage will be maintained to warn motorists and pedestrians of the bridge closure.

Thank you for your patience and we apologize for the inconvenience. Any questions regarding this project should be directed to Project Manager Martin Ruvolo at 779-348-7632.

Falcon Road and Airport Drive Roadway Reconstruction Project

On Monday, March 30, 2015 construction work resumed for the Falcon Road and Airport Drive Reconstruction Project. Sections of these roads will be closed while construction is performed. Drivers should consider alternate routes while traveling these areas.

On Monday, March 30, 2015 Falcon Road closed from Airport Drive to Samuleson Road and is anticipated to be back open July 2, 2015. No through traffic will be allowed except for local businesses. A detour route will be posted for drivers

traveling in the area. Shoulder road work will also resume on Falcon Road so drivers should use caution while traveling this route. The Falcon Road Reconstruction Project will include all roadways from New Milford School Road to Airport Drive, including intersection improvements at New Milford School Road, Samuelson Road and Airport Drive. The project will consist of pavement removal, reclaiming existing pavement, curb and gutter, ditch and waterway improvements, reconstruction of business entrances, erosion control and new asphalt pavement. It is anticipated that the Falcon Road Airport Drive Roadway Reconstruction Project will be completed by November 15, 2015.

Also on Monday, March 30, 2015 Airport Drive closed from Lockheed Drive to Assembly Drive and is anticipated to be back open July 2, 2015. No through traffic will be allowed except for local businesses. A detour route will be posted for drivers traveling in the area. The Airport Drive Reconstruction Project will include all roadway from Kishwaukee Street to Illinois 251 (11th Street). This reconstruction project will consist of pavement removal, excavation, concrete pavement, curb and gutter, median, landscaping, storm sewer installation, street lighting, traffic signal modernization, erosion control and new concrete pavement.

Some notable improvements to the project will be constructing a roundabout at the intersection of Kishwaukee Street and Airport Drive, railroad crossing reconstruction and straightening out the roadway east of the railroad crossing. It is anticipated that the Airport Drive Reconstruction Project will be completed by November 15, 2015.

And lastly on Monday, March 30, 2015 Kishwaukee Street closed from Airport Drive to Research Parkway and is anticipated to be back open July 2, 2015. No through traffic will be allowed except for local businesses. A detour route will be posted for drivers traveling in the area.

IL- 2 / South Main Street - Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Roadway Project (South of Pond Street to just North of Cedar Street)

Construction is scheduled to resume on Wednesday, April 6. Drivers are reminded to be alert for workers and changing traffic patterns. The project consists of pavement removal, excavation, roadway realignment, PCC pavement, HMA pavement, curb and gutter, landscaped median, multi-use path and sidewalk construction, storm sewer installation, landscaping, street lighting, traffic signal modernization and interconnection, pavement markings, erosion control, maintenance of traffic and all other necessary items to complete the improvements. The project completion date is late 2015.

IDOT will be coordinating with all applicable governmental agencies throughout the project. The City will relay information as it becomes available.

Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

IL-2/South Main Street - Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Roadway Project (Beltline Road to 0.4 miles north of Harrison Avenue)

On Wednesday, April 6, 2015 IL-2/South Main Street – IDOT Roadway Project is scheduled to resume. Drivers are reminded to be alert for workers and changing traffic patterns. The project consists of widening and resurfacing, pavement removal and replacement, adding lanes and a barrier median, curb and gutter, adding a bike path, providing right and left turn lanes, and installing lighting and traffic signals. IDOT will be coordinating with all applicable governmental agencies throughout the project. The City will relay information as it becomes available.

Drivers are reminded to obey work zone speed limits and to stay alert for workers when driving through the construction zone.

Questions regarding these projects should be directed to Sr. Project Manager Austin Crull in the Public Works Department at 779-348-7610. Thank you for your consideration.